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SUBJECT: MACHINE TOOLS TSS

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1. IN ABSENCE OF GROZDANOV, EMBOFF CALLED ON BORIS MAREKOV, CHIEF OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS DEPARTMENT OF MINISTRY OF MACHINE BUILDING AND METALLURGY TO DISCUSS SCHEDULING OF MACHINE TOOLS TSS. MAREKOV RECEIVED IDEA OF SEMINAR ENTHUSIASTICALLY AND SAID HIGH INTEREST WAS CERTAIN.
2. MAREKOV STRONGLY SUPPORTED IDEA THAT SEMINAR BE SCHEDULED ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11 FOR AFTERNOON AND FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12 FOR MORNING (AND AFTERNOON IF NECESSARY). WHILE HE DID NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY OF SATURDAY AS SPECIAL WORK DAY, HE COMMENTED THAT THIS WOULD CREATE DIFFICULTIES SINCE PEOPLE MIGHT ATTEND ONLY FRIDAY SESSIONS.
3. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT SEMINAR BE CONDUCTED ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11 AFTERNOON AND FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12 MORNING. THIS WILL LEAVE FRIDAY AFTERNOON AND ALL OF MONDAY FOR APPOINTMENTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES. IF NECESSARY, TSS COULD START AS LATE AS 1500 HOURS NOVEMBER

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11 TO ALLOW ADEQUATE TIME FOR LATE TRAIN OR OTHER DELAYS

THAT MAY BE ENCOUNTERED. REQUEST USDOC CONFIRM THESE
DATES ASAP SO EMBASSY CAN PRESENT MATTER TO BULGARREKLAMA
WITH FIRM DATES.

4. MAREKOV ALSO REQUESTED THAT MINISTRY BE PROVIDED
WITH A LIST OF TOPICS AND OTHER INFORMATION TO BE
PRESENTED AT TSS SO THEY MAY MAKE COMMENTS AND SELECT
APPROPRIATE PARTICIPANTS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
THIS INFORMATION ON URGENT BASIS.
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